



Docket No.: 42390P12556

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

OSCAR P. PINTO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/994,779

Filed: November 28, 2001

For: A Mechanism For Managing Incoming Data  
Messages In A Cluster

Art Group: 2177

Examiner: Channavajjala, Srirama T.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a three (3) month extension of time, extending the period for response to April 11, 2006, from the Final Office Action dated May 20, 2005. The petition filing fee of \$1,020.00 and an Amendment and Response to Final Office Action and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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